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SUBJECT: TOGOLESE LAWS ON QUESTIONABLE PAYMENTS

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1. A. YES

B. NO; BUT IT IS GENERALLY REQUIRED OF ANY GOOD CITIZEN TO DISCLOSE SUCH PAYMENTS IF HE FEELS HIS POSITION IS STRONG ENOUGH TO DO SO.

C. NO

D. NO

E. NO; AS PER QUESTION B.

F. YES

2. THE GOVERNMENT OF TOGO HAS A GENERAL PENAL LEGISLATION GOVERNING QUESTIONABLE PAYMENTS BOTH IN THE CIVIL AND MILITARY SERVICE AND IN THE PRIVATE COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES NOT INVOLVING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IS SUMMARILY STATED THAT ALL CIVIL SERVANTS OF BOTH ADMINISTRATION AND JUDICIARY, THE MILITARY AND ALL OTHER GOVERNMENT DESIGNATED AGENTS WHO HAVE ACCEPTED OFFERS OR PROMISES, OR WHO HAVE RECEIVED DONATIONS OR PRESENTS IN ORDER TO INFLUENCE OFFICIAL ACTIONS DELIBERATELY OR NOT, WILL BE PUNISHED BY THE LOSS OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND PAY A FINE DOUBLE THE VALUE OF THE OFFER OR PROMISES OR ITEMS RECEIVED. IF THE GUILTY IS A MILITARY, THE FINE WILL BE REPLACED BY A TERM OF IMPRISONMENT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE PRESIDING COURT. THE TERM OF IMPRISONMENT USUALLY RANGES FROM ONE TO FIVE YEARS. THIS LAW ALSO APPLIED TO PRIVATE ENTERPRISES NOT INVOLVING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OR AGENCIES AS WELL AS MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

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